# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# FISCAL NOTE

## **SB 1883**

January 25, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires certain candidates for United States Senate to be nominated by members of the Tennessee Senate and Tennessee House of Representatives until the year 2034.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation would only apply to candidates for United States Senate who are seeking nomination from either the majority or minority party. Nominations for United States Senate for a recognized minor party will not be changed under the provisions of this legislation.
- Under current law, Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-13-202, statewide political parties nominate their candidates for Governor, General Assembly, United States Senate, and United States House of Representatives, with such candidates placed on the primary election ballot in the August election.
- Candidates of the majority or minority party for a United States Senate seat will be removed from the primary election ballot and be nominated by members of their respective political parties serving in the Tennessee Senate and Tennessee House of Representatives during their respective caucus meetings.
- It is assumed that any caucus meeting will occur during a regularly-scheduled legislative meeting and will not require additional payment of per diem or travel reimbursement for members of the General Assembly.
- Primary elections will still be held for other state and local offices; therefore, the removal of candidates for United States Senator from primary election ballots will not result in any significant decrease in state or local government expenditures.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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